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In re Patent Application of:  
Tsutomu Motohashi

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Art Unit: 2627

For: INFORMATION RECORDING  
REPRODUCING APPARATUS, PROGRAM,  
COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING  
MEDIUM, AND DEFECT FIELD  
MANAGEMENT METHOD

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Examiner: L. T. Nguyen

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated February 10, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application in light of the following:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.